

Special Education Mediator List

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In Texas, special education mediations are conducted by impartial private practice attorneys who meet the standards outlined in the Individuals with Disabilities in Education Act (IDEA) and additional standards set by the Texas Education Agency. Below are the names of the current mediators under contract with TEA and descriptions of their experience.

MEDIATOR	PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE
Lucius D. Bunton	Contract special education mediator for TEA since 1994. Received initial mediator training from Corder & Thompson in 1994. Texas practicing attorney since 1980. Graduate of the Southern Methodist University Law School. Experience in administrative law, employment law, civil litigation, civil rights litigation, and mediation.
Mary Carolyn Carmichael	Contract special education mediator for TEA since 2003. Received initial mediator training from the Justice Center of Atlanta, Georgia in 1994 and again through the Center for Public Policy Dispute Resolution at the University of Texas School of Law in 2004. Texas practicing attorney since May 1990. Graduate of the University of Texas School of Law. Experience in public school law, public utilities law, administrative law, disability law, employment law, and mediation.
Ann Vevier Lockwood	Contract special education mediator for TEA since 2003. Received initial mediator training from American Arbitration Association in 1993. Texas practicing attorney since 1984. Graduate of University of Texas School of Law. Experience in civil litigation, employment law, civil rights law, employee grievance hearings, and mediation. Former classroom teacher.
Lynn E. Rubinett	Contract special education mediator for TEA since 2003. Received initial mediator training from the UT Center for Public Policy Dispute Resolution in 2003. Texas practicing attorney since 1985. Graduate of Northeastern University School of Law. Experience in civil litigation, civil rights law, labor and employment law, education law, disability rights law, administrative law, and mediation.
Brenda Rudd	Contract special education mediator for TEA since 2003. Received initial mediator training from University of Texas Center for Public Policy Dispute Resolution in 1997. Texas practicing attorney since 1982. Graduate of Texas Tech Law School. Experience in civil and criminal litigation, family law, administrative law, and mediation. Former classroom teacher.
Sherry Wetsch	Contract special education mediator for TEA since 2006. Received initial mediator training from Attorney Mediators Institute in 1996. Texas practicing attorney since 1991. Graduate of the University of North Dakota School of Law. Served as a mediator for the Texas Department of Transportation, New York Stock Exchange, the Better Business Bureau, the Fort Bend Dispute Resolution Center, the US Postal Service and the US Department of the Army. Also licensed to practice law in North Dakota and Missouri.